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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants hereby submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2001 ("Office Action"), requesting that the application be amended as follows. Taking into account the accompanying petition for a three-month extension of time, the instant response is due June 12, 2002, and is thus timely filed.

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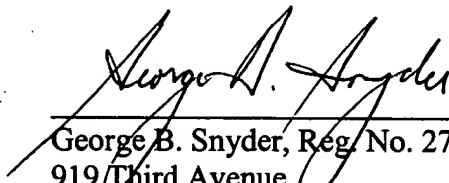
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Sir:

Per your request, dated July 17, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit an
Amendment and Response in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121. The
amendment contains a clean copy of the amended claims. A marked-up version of the claims is
attached as Appendix A.

Respectfully submitted,

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